GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:343
ANSWERED ON:19.02.2003
NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Service Scheme is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme;

(b) if so, the details and objectives of this scheme;

(c) the number of universities covered under the Scheme during the last three years, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government propose to cover more universities in 2003-2004; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the funds likely to be allocated for this purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIKRAM VERMA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The objective of the NSS is 'personality developmentof student volunteers through community service' and to channelize their energies in a constructive manner for integrated national development.

The expenditure on NSS Programme is being shared between the Centre and State Governments based on the allocation of student volunteers on year to year basis. The pattern of sharing expenditure is in the ratio of 3:1 in the case of North Eastern States and other hilly areas and 7:5 in other States/Union Territories. Incase of Jammu & Kashmir and Union Territories without legislatures, the entire expenditure is met by the Central Government.

(c) A statement showing the number of universities covered under the Scheme during the last three years, State-wise, is annexed.

(d) & (e) Extension of the NSS to new educational institutions viz. +2 schools, colleges and universities is decided upon by the respective state governments based on overall allocation of volunteers to them each year. Usually, a 10% increase in volunteer strength is offered to States/Union Territories each year subject to their willingness to accept the same. The budget estimates under the scheme for the year 2003-04 is 26.00 crores (Plan) and Rs. 4.94 crores (Non-Plan).

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 343 FOR 19.02 REGARDING NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

NUMBER OF UNIVERSITIES COVERED UNDER THE NSS DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS (STATE-WISE)

Sl. No.	STATE/UT	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
1.	GUJARAT	12	12	12
2.	KARNATAKA	10	10	10
3.	MADHYA PRADESH	7	7	7
4.	CHHATISGARH	2	2	2
5.	ORISSA	7	7	7
6.	WEST BENGAL	9	9	9
7	PUNJAB	5	5	5

8.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	3	3	3
9.	JAMMU & KASHMIR	3	3	3
10.	TAMILNADU	14	14	14
11.	DELHI	5	5	5
12.	HARYANA	4	4	4
13.	ASSAM	5	5	5
14.	MANIPUR	1	1	1
15.	MEGHALAYA	1	1	1
16.	ANDHRA PRADESH	12	12	12
17.	RAJASTHAN	5	5	5
18.	UTTAR PRADESH	20	20	20
19.	BIHAR	7	7	7
20.	JHARKHAND	4	4	4
21.	MAHARASHTRA & GOA	16	16	16
22.	KERALA	8	8	8